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PROPERTIES ADMINISTRATION BRANCH

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Various functions within the Properties Administration Branch are handled by a staff of 18.

THE FOUR MAIN FUNCTIONS ARE:

1. To provide office accommodation for all government departments.
2. To provide leased accommodation for those departments which cannot be accommodated in government owned buildings.
3. To acquire sites for all government projects.
4. Administration of all taxes pertaining to properties and local improvements.

The above functions can be more specifically described as:

(a) Supplying and moving of telephones

(b) Provision and allocation of parking and collection of parking fees

(c) Administration of grants in lieu of taxes

(d) Custody of records and Certificates of Titles

(e) Documentation relating to transfer of properties

(f) Compilation of statistics related to occupancy of government buildings, occupancy of all leased accommodation and maintenance of property acquisition cards, tax cards, insurance cards, government and leased accommodation plans

(g) Administration of "Public Works Development Area"

(h) Representation on "Property Committee" when the government works in unison with other agencies for assembly and controlled development of lands

(i) Co-ordinating the implementation of survey requirements of the department with the Director of Surveys, Department of Highways

(j) Insurances on buildings for fire, contents and public liability

(k) Negotiations for properties

(l) Property appraisals

(m) Disposal of properties surplus to government requirements

(n) Negotiation for easements and right-of-ways over privately owned land

(o) Granting of easements and right-of-ways over Crown owned land

(p) The administration of all cafeterias and canteens

Land acquired for governmental projects comes under the following:

1. Immediate requirement
2. Requirements for the next fiscal year

3. Long Range Planning: The Public Works Act provides for the freezing of an area for future development for Government purposes and an area around the Legislative Building was declared Public Works Development Area #1 and since then we have been progressively acquiring the properties in this area. In the fiscal year 1972/73 we acquired 5 properties at a cost of $280,549.11.

4. There were 43 other property transactions, 23 acquisitions at a cost of $736,826.05 plus 3 mortgage payments of $45,456.47 and 2 utilities at $2,187,252.82. We sold 18 properties for a revenue of $1,007,756.00 and 1 property was disposed of and 1 acquired by exchange.

The Branch administered 370 rent payable leases for 1,100,038 square feet of office and storage space totalling $4,095,046.89. There were also 216 rent receivable leases totalling $939,746.22. Of these 19 were farm leases involving 5,840.14 acres of land which had been declared surplus to the Attorney General's Department's requirements.

A total of 5,975 parking stalls were administered of which 1,531 were leased from private owners. The gross from all stalls was $210,208.00.

Payments for Grants in Lieu of taxes were made amounting to $3,939,289.42. Payments for Local Improvements were made in the amount of $82,747.32.

Telephone accounts covering rentals and installations reflecting a total cost to the government of $1,707,945.96 incurred a new system of handling the telephone accounts.

THE CROWN PROPERTY MUNICIPAL GRANTS ACT

Under "The Crown Municipal Grants Act", being Chapter 81 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1970 and amendments and regulations thereto, grants are paid on all Crown owned properties other than the following:

(a) real property forming part of an undertaking in respect of the conservation, irrigation, reclamation, rehabilitation or reforestation of land;

(b) any park, historical site, monument or museum;

(c) except when otherwise prescribed by the Provincial Treasurer, real property leased to or occupied by a person from whom the municipality may, by reason of his interest in the property, levy and collect a municipal tax;

(d) real property used for or in connection with academic, trade, forestry or agricultural schools, colleges or universities;

(e) real property used for or in connection with hospitals and mental institutions;

(f) real property comprising streets, lanes, roadways or road allowances;

(g) (deleted by amendment);

(h) real property owned by the Alberta Liquor Control Board, the Alberta Government Telephones Commission or the Workers' Compensation Board;

(i) any specific property or class of real property exempted from the provisions of the Act by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

In excess of the provisions for grants in lieu of taxes, taxes are paid for the current year upon acquisition of any property since the Municipalities have already budgeted their operations based on the taxes received.

Further grants in lieu of taxes are paid on buildings which would normally be exempt such as forestry ranger buildings when such buildings are serviced by municipal utilities.

GRANTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

Paid To

VARIOUS CITIES, TOWNS, VILLAGES, COUNTIES, MUNICIPAL DISTRICTS

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS AND SPECIAL AREAS

1972 - 1973

LOCATION	AMOUNT OF GRANT
City of CALGARY	$ 659,874.35
City of CAMROSE	20,797.20
City of DRUMHELLER	19,664.28
City of EDMONTON	2,061,403.69
City of GRANDE PRAIRIE	59,866.38
City of LETHBRIDGE	56,242.99
City of MEDICINE HAT	40,102.93
City of RED DEER	35,936.45
City of WETASKIWIN	19,448.45
Town of ATHABASCA	17,898.14
Town of BARRHEAD	7,667.09
Town of BEAVERLODGE	1,560.09
Town of BLACK DIAMOND	287.28
Town of BLAIRMORE	8,185.92
Town of BOW ISLAND	1,936.20
Town of BONNYVILLE	6,230.41
Town of BROOKS	2,620.31
Town of CARDSTON	3,384.72
Town of CASTOR	7,909.44
Town of CLARESHOLM	17,824.50
Town of COCHRANE	1,840.25
Town of COLD LAKE	1,289.52
Town of COLEMAN	NIL
Town of CORONATION	7,457.88
Town of DIDSBURY	684.76
Town of DRAYTON VALLEY	1,826.40
Town of EDSON	20,046.16
Town of FALHER	7,938.42

LOCATION	AMOUNT OF GRANT
Town of FORT MACLEOD	11,848.50
Town of FORT McMURRAY	9,716.18
Town of FORT SASKATCHEWAN	44,349.00
Town of FOX CREEK	1,921.50
Town of GRANDE CACHE	17,052.94
Town of GRANUM	784.92
Town of GRIMSHAW	7,593.60
Town of HANNA	11,249.59
Town of HIGH LEVEL	4,776.44
Town of HINTON	1,673.23
Town of HIGH PRAIRIE	12,066.54
Town of INNISFAIL	2,157.48
Town of JASPER	746.75
Town of KILLAM	2,736.88
Town of LAC LA BICHE	10,134.40
Town of LACOMBE	7,948.34
Town of MAGRATH	1,733.91
Town of MANNING	3,470.61
Town of MAYERTHORPE	4,062.45
Town of McLENNAN	NIL
Town of MORINVILLE	1,542.49
Town of NANTON	1,788.65
Town of OLDS	11,056.56
Town of OYEN	153.00
Town of PEACE RIVER	33,048.12
Town of PICTURE BUTTE	NIL
Town of PINCHER CREEK	482.80
Town of PONOKA	1,890.40
Town of PROVOST	3,236.80
Town of RIMBEY	2,015.53
Town of ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE	15,486.80
Town of SLAVE LAKE	9,876.75
Town of SMOKY LAKE	406.08
Town of SPIRIT RIVER	5,520.60
Town of STETTLER	4,634.72
Town of ST. PAUL	9,043.32

LOCATION	AMOUNT OF GRANT
Town of STRATHMORE	$ 3,930.96
Town of SWAN HILLS	2,125.44
Town of TABER	2,625.65
Town of THREE HILLS	1,218.92
Town of TROCHU	1,672.80
Town of TWO HILLS	2,320.28
Town of VALLEYVIEW	NIL
Town of VEGREVILLE	9,961.32
Town of VERMILION	10,184.74
Town of VIKING	3,100.80
Town of VULCAN	1,971.20
Town of WAINWRIGHT	3,059.69
Town of WESTLOCK	1,099.83
Town of WHITECOURT	5,562.60
Summer Village of GRANDVIEW	188.40
Village of ANDREW	868.00
Village of BEISEKER	367.92
Village of BON ACCORD	933.31
Village of BOWDEN	NIL
Village of BOYLE	45.26
Village of BRETON	2,037.75
Village of BRUDERHEIM	702.90
Village of CAROLINE	412.80
Village of CHIPMAN	56.55
Village of CLYDE	1,111.68
Village of CONSORT	1,355.76
Village of COUTTS	NIL
Village of CZAR	386.88
Village of DUCHESS	1,388.10
Village of EAGLESHAM	21.32
Village of ELNORA	163.15
Village of HINES CREEK	131.67
Village of HYTHE	307.50
Village of KINUSO	NIL
Village of RYLEY	1,191.06
Village of RYCROFT	2,617.20

LOCATION	AMOUNT OF GRANT
County of BARRHEAD	$ 100.32
County of CAMROSE	149.99
County of FLAGSTAFF	1,219.40
County of FORTY MILE #8	17,488.11
County of GRANDE PRAIRIE #1	4,898.06
County of LAC STE. ANNE #28	9,780.80
County of LACOMBE #14	1,490.36
County of LEDUC	4,987.12
County of LETHBRIDGE #26	54,949.96
County of MINBURN #27	7,606.21
County of MOUNTAINVIEW #17	NIL
County of NEWELL #4	9,943.56
County of PARKLAND #31	7,756.32
County of PONOKA #3	2,068.22
County of RED DEER #23	91,794.71
County of ST. PAUL #19	2,102.98
County of SMOKY LAKE #13	161.17
County of STETTLER	127.14
County of STRATHCONA #20	2,820.35
County of THORHILD #7	4,376.10
County of TWO HILLS #21	7,537.48
County of WARNER #5	2,238.75
County of WETASKIWIN #10	9,593.10
County of WHEATLAND #16	1,495.62
M.D. of CARDSTON	8,487.28
M.D. of FAIRVIEW	7,300.20
M.D. of FOOTHILLS	1,397.82
M.D. of PEACE	143,265.54
M.D. of ROCKYVIEW	110,273.30
M.D. of SMOKY RIVER	362.95
M.D. of SPIRIT RIVER	20.02
M.D. of STURGEON	4,318.53
M.D. of TABER	2,494.93
M.D. of WESTLOCK	3,368.04
M.D. of WILLOW CREEK	430.14

LOCATION	AMOUNT OF GRANT
I.D. #1 MEDICINE HAT	$ 1,299.56
I.D. #2 REDCLIFFE	2,738.11
I.D. #6 LIVINGSTONE RIVER	49.28
I.D. #7 DRUMHELLER	574.60
I.D. #8 HIGHWOOD	2,016.92
I.D. #10 ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE	548.76
I.D. #14 HINTON	7,089.46
I.D. #16 ENTRANCE	54.52
I.D. #17 HIGH PRAIRIE	1,354.44
I.D. #18 LAC LA BICHE	2,933.28
I.D. #19 WANHAM	8,629.09
I.D. #21 HINES CREEK	2,415.06
I.D. #22 MANNING	4,383.19
SPECIAL AREA #2 HANNA	4.50
	$3,969,746.88

LESS: Reimbursement re Oil Core Storage, Calgary;	17,972.51
Athabasca Treasury Branch, Treasury Branch Manager's Residence - various locations	197.62 12,287.33
TOTAL	$ 30,457.46
GRAND TOTAL	$3,939,289.42

GRANTS IN LIEU OF TAXES
PAID EACH YEAR SINCE
1964 - 1965

TAX YEAR	GROSS TOTAL		NET TOTAL
1964-65			$1,544,699.82
1965-66			1,642.900.55
1966-67			1,711,522.25
1967-68			2,123,522.59
1968-69			2,614,096.05
1969-70	$3,083,518.15	Less refunds $39,750.25 =	3,043,767.90
1970-71	$3,093,429.24	Less refunds $72,176.15 =	3,021,253.09
1971-72	$3,568,014.42	Less refunds $35,546.33 =	3,532,468.09
1972-73	$3,969,746.88	Less refunds $30,457.46 =	3,939,289.42

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1973, AND THE CORRESPONDING FIGURES FOR THE PREVIOUS FIVE YEARS

APPRN.	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT 1972-73	TOTAL	1971 - 72	1970 - 71	1969 - 70	1968 - 69	1967 - 68
ADMINISTRATION:								
2601	Minister's Office	36,849.37		28,505.33	31,917.94	30,822.67	28,393.75	21,701.85
2602	General Administration	189,926.85		743,220.82	631,971.53	598,695.10	533,630.46	531,992.78
2603	Architectural Design Branch	673,682.40		642,711.79	654,664.15	736,879.66		
2604	Engineering Design Branch	596,180.48		557,634.62	523,703.77	568,061.05		
2605	Construction Supervision Branch	376,794.27		368,197.27	310,624.24	264,307.81		
2606	Accounts Branch Administration (formerly part 2602)	176,058.57					1,590,758.25	1,548,955.29
2607	Personnel Branch Admin. (formerly part 2602)	90,732.94						
2608	Contracts Branch Admin. (formerly part 2602)	139,069.62			91,885.28	86,811.14	83,742.81	76,855.86
2609	Physical Plant Administration	589,541.76		1,422,514.41	1,273,166.16	1,190,583.07	1,054,503.92	925,739.04
2616	Properties Branch Administration (formerly part 2602)	161,864.90	3,030,701.16					
MAINTENANCE:								
2610	Maintenance & Operation of Physical Plant	25,741,681.04		27,101,438.28	15,859,055.30	14,502,042.44	12,895,270.04	11,947,186.81
2611	Edmonton Shops Admin. (formerly part 2609 & 2610)	653,716.93						
2612	Calgary Shops Admin. (formerly part 2609 & 2610)	318,099.41			3,896,524.91	3,607,089.99	3,383,294.71	3,279,292.46
2614	Heating Plants (now combined with 2610)				4,904,365.96	4,449,614.80	3,003,384.54	2,645,646.69
2615	Low Pressure Power Plants (combined with 2610)						1,205,606.57	931,224.53
2617	Government Leased Premises (formerly part 2610)	4,945,661.60						
2620	Government Automobile Service	106,761.22	31,765,920.20	105,033.32	95,139.11	88,913.39	77,926.86	93,701.23
GRANTS:								
2624	Grants to Mun. for Swimming Pools (transferred to Culture, Youth & Recreation)						56,000.00	34,840.11
2625	Grants for Construction of Police Buildings	170,416.82		260,000.00	108,152.40	250,000.00	70,283.26	48,846.11
2626	Grants to Municipalities in Lieu of Taxes	3,939,289.42	4,109,706.24	3,532,468.09	3,021,253.09	3,043,767.90	2,614,096.05	2,123,522.59
CAPITAL:								
2681	Admin. of Judicial Buildings (combined with 2683)						826,567.13	924,279.35
2682	Sites & Construction	30,951,399.19		39,512,406.26	32,898,739.46	25,434,362.06	26,506,485.47	78,184,624.80
2683	Furnishings & Equipment	4,645,322.93		3,931,939.86	4,779,331.93	4,797,668.91	4,919,116.13	14,204,041.55
2684	Heating Plants Equipment (combined with 2682)		35,596,722.12	86,924.22	105,306.16	140,857.98	150,829.52	81,150.78
	TOTALS:		74,503,049.72	78,292,994.27	69,185,801.39	59,790,477.97	58,999,889.47	117,603,601.83